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Amendments to the Claims:

- 1. through 27. (Canceled)
- 28. (Currently Amended) A keypad layout for a hand-held electronic device comprising:

a plurality of keys, including keys "1" through "9" and "0", configured for data entry of numbers and symbols of a Romanized Chinese phonetic alphabet, each key representing at least one syllable initial symbol group or at least one syllable semi-initial symbol group of the Romanized Chinese phonetic alphabet,

wherein all keys representing symbols of the syllable initial symbol group are grouped separate from all keys representing symbols of the syllable semi-initial symbol group.

- 29. (Previously Presented) The keypad of claim 28, wherein the plurality of keys includes keys "*" and "#".
 - 30. (Canceled)
- 31. (Currently Amended) The keypad of claim 28 30, wherein one key of the plurality of keys is solely designated for symbols of the semi-initial symbol group symbols.
- 32. (Currently Amended) The keypad of claim 28, wherein at least a portion of the plurality of keys represents syllable final symbols of a syllable final symbol group.
 - 33. through 43. (Canceled)